



TOWN OF KITTERY

REPORT TO COUNCIL

Date: September 7, 2011

By: Jonathan Carter, Town Manager

**Subject: Maine DOT Local Project Agreements – WIN 019394.00-
Route 103 Sidewalks and WIN # 018184 -Route 1 & 236 Traffic
Circle Improvements**

Executive Summary:

Two projects funded through Maine DOT requires Town Council approval, including a local match to commence work. The Sidewalk project is preliminary engineering for a planned sidewalk along the northern side of State Route 103 (Whipple) from Old Ferry Lane .47 of one mile to Wyman Avenue. The Traffic Circle Improvement project provides for a design and construction of pedestrian safety and drainage improvements in the vicinity of Memorial Circle.

Statement of Need:

In order for the projects to move forward, Maine DOT requires Local Project Agreements to be authorized by the Council and signed by the Town Manager and to commit the town to a project match. For the sidewalk engineering project the local match is 20% of \$18,000 or \$3,600 and for the Traffic Circle Improvement the local match is 10% of \$1,238,413 or \$123,841.30.

Background:

The new Public Works Commissioner since she has been in Kittery, has worked with Maine DOT and KACTS on many projects, but in particular on finding opportunities for funding on moving the Council approved Whipple Road Sidewalk forward and closing out the major Route One South reconstruction project and working thru KACTS and Maine DOT on using the large balance of remaining project funds to undertake similar work moving North of the original project sight around the Traffic Rotary and side roads. With this project, the Thresher Memorial is assisted greatly with its development and potential for success. The PWD Commissioner has been successful and funding has been made available to undertake a preliminary sidewalk design on Whipple Road that will connect the existing sidewalk above Gate Two with the existing sidewalk beginning at the intersection of Old Ferry Landing to the Kittery Point Bridge. Both projects require a local match to move forward as well as having Council approve the two agreements.

Facts Bearing on the Equation and Current Situation:

The funds available, if not approved through these agreements, will be reprogrammed and potentially lost to Kittery for needed project work.

Proposed Solution / Recommendation:

.To have the Kittery Town Council approve the signing by the Town Manager of both Agreements and the release from the State Aide to Roads Reserve Account # 302 \$127,441.30 (\$3,600 for Sidewalk engineering /design and \$123.841.30 for the Traffic Circle and infrastructure construction.